

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant thanks Examiner for the detailed Final Office Action dated April 12, 2006. In response to the issues raised, the Applicant offers the following submissions and amendments.

Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended such that the limitation implicit in the preamble and incorporated as explicit elements of the claim.

Claims 4, 5 and 6 have been cancelled.

Accordingly, the amendments do not add new matter.

Claims – 35USC§102

The Examiner has maintained the rejection of claims 1-6 for lack of novelty in light of US 6,347,864 to Silverbrook. Claims 4 to 6 have been cancelled and claim 1 has been amended to clearly distinguish it from the cited reference.

Claim 1 has been amended to explicitly define that the cartridge has a cartridge body configured for insertion into, and removal from, a printer. The '864 does not have a removable cartridge with inbuilt pagewidth printhead. The print roll cartridge 504 does not include the pagewidth printhead assembly 508. The printhead assembly 508 is permanently retained within the small electronic device. Only the print roll cartridge is removed and replaced.

It is well established that a cited reference must teach all the claim elements in order to support a §102 rejection. The '864 reference does not teach a cartridge that has a printhead and therefore fails to anticipate claim 1. It follows that the dependent claims are likewise novel.

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's rejection has been successfully traversed. Accordingly, the finality of the above Official Action should be withdrawn and favorable reconsideration is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,

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